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SUBJECT: TURKISH PRESS TREATMENT OF AGHIOS DIONYSIOS INCIDENT

REF: ATHENS 8430

A FEW TURKISH DAILIES CARRIED LOW-KEY STORIES ON AGHIOS DIONYSIOS INCIDENT (REFTEL), ALL BASED ON ATHENS PRESS REPORTS, BUT MOST PAPERS DID NOT HAVE ARTICLES ON IT. THE REPORTS AGREED IN MOST RESPECTS WITH ACCOUNT IN REFTEL, EXCEPT THAT ALL TURKISH VERSIONS STATED THAT TURKISH PATROL BOAT ONLY FIRED "WARNING SHOTS". SENSATIONALIST GUNAYDIN STATES THAT GREEK FREIGHTER WAS LOADED WITH "CONTRABAND GOODS," AND CONSERVATIVE TERCUMAN SAYS THE INCIDENT TOOK PLACE IN TURKISH TERRITORIAL WATERS. LIBERAL-REFORMIST MILLIYET STATES THAT ITS CORRESPONDENT INQUITED AT THE GREEK DEFENSE AND TRADE MINISTRIES AND WAS TOLD THAT THOSE MINISTRIES HAD NO INFORMATION ON THE INCIDENT. QUOTING UNCLASSIFIED

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ATHENS' DAILY AKROPOLIS AS CLAIMING THAT THE INCIDENT WAS IN RETALIATION FOR A GREEK SHIP'S FIRING ON A TURKISH VESSEL THE PREVIOUS WEEK, MILLIYET SAYS THIS IS THE FIRST CONFIRMATION FROM THE GREEK SIDE THAT THE TURKISH BOAT HAD BEEN FIRED ON IN THE PREVIOUS INCIDENT.

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